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For: GAS TURBINE AND GAS TURBINE HIGH TEMPERATURE SECTION

COOLING METHOD

Sir:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identfied application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 23, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 22 of this paper;

Remarks begin on page 25 this paper.